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Four Groups Received New Awards At the Community Foundation Tea

by Virginia Beauchamp

At an afternoon tea event on Sunday, February 24 the Greenbelt Community Foundation presented awards to four community organizations – Alight Dance Theater, Camp Fire Patuxent Area Council, Eleanor Roosevelt High School Music Department's guitar and piano classes and the GHI Woodlands Committee. The event was held at the Greenbelt Marriott Hotel, one of seven community sponsors.

Alight Dance Theater received \$3,646 for development of a program called "Stargazing," described as a "fusion of dance, shadow play and music." The program shows both the death of a star and the visible splendor we can see in our own back yards, according to the program description.

The Camp Fire program is designed for 7- to 10-year-old participants who over an 18-month



ceived an award of \$5,000.

The primary need for the guitar and keyboard program at Eleanor Roosevelt High School was for additional performance instruments as the music programs continue to grow. The program was awarded \$2,880.

And finally the GHI award supports a beautification project called a Pioneer Park Rain Garden, described as an 80 foot pocket park next to Gardenway whose purpose is "to capture rainwater from an 8,000 square foot area." It will be designed not only to reduce storm runoff but also to demonstrate "an innovative stormwater management practice." The project received a \$2,000 grant.

Foundation Program

Twice a year the Greenbelt Community Foundation offers

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Kevin Hawk of Eleanor Roosevelt High School speaks after receiving their grant for guitar and keyboard equipment.

period develop skills and work on leadership, service learning and mentoring. The program re-

Feb. Nature Discovery Walk Held In South Tract of Forest Preserve

By Bill Wilkerson

On Saturday, February 16, about 30 people went on a nature discovery walk in the South Tract of the Forest Preserve. The Celebration Committee for the 10-Year Anniversary of the Greenbelt Forest Preserve organized the hike led by Susan Barnett and naturalist Elaine Nakash. Barnett explained that the Forest Preserve was created by the city in 2003 to preserve the city's namesake, the Green Belt, for future generations. She also spoke about the "Save the Greenbelt" effort that began 25 years ago.

Hikers included Jean Newcomb, Ann Dunne, Jean Snyder, Craig Tooley, Maia Tooley, Mark Christal, Yoni Siegel, Bill Rich, Kristi Fletcher and others. Walkers started down a trail that led into the woods behind Mowatt Church on Ridge Road.

Nakash stopped to point out her first find, a Cranefly Or-

chid, a perennial terrestrial woodland plant identified by its green leaves with dark purple undersides and a beautiful flower in summer. At the base of a tree was Partridgeberry, a vine with watercress-like leaves, bright red berries and a fragrant white flower in summer. During the walk, we compared three plants that reproduce by spores – creeping Crowsfoot, ground pine and Christmas fern.

While climbing a hill, Nakash asked walkers to list the mammals that might be seen in the woods. Included were the familiar squirrels, raccoons, bats, skunks, deer and less familiar flying squirrels, bobcats and coyotes. Reportedly someone saw a bear a few years ago. Paul Downs mentioned that beavers, muskrats and otters inhabit the nearby waterways. Joey Murray related seeing a flock of about 50

wild turkeys in the woods.

We followed what had been an old wagon road while Nakash showed how to identify a Southern red oak tree by examining the fallen leaves on the ground or by becoming familiar with the bark. We used magnifying glasses to examine buds and leaf scars on a small black gum tree. Jim Soule showed how to differentiate between Virginia pine and pitch pine by using the length of needles, number of needles in a bundle and the bark. A pine tree showed signs where a deer had scraped it with its antlers. Someone spotted a pignut hickory with its tightly furrowed bark and a unique branching pattern and a persimmon tree. Both trees provide edible fruit for people or animals. Also seen were beech, sweet gum, tulip poplar, maple and loblolly pine. Nakash pointed out non-native species including English ivy, honeysuckle and privet. Some of the non-native plants are probably remnants of landscaping around old farmhouses.

We listened for calls of the white-throated sparrow, titmouse, chickadee and cardinal. As we approached a small pond near the old city landfill, talk turned to how the number of bullfrogs and salamanders in the Preserve had declined over the years. Rodney Roberts stated that the water quality in the creeks has declined

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What Goes On

Monday, March 18

8 p.m., Council Worksession with Clergy/Religious Organizations, Municipal Building. Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and streaming at www.greenbeltdmd.gov

Wednesday, March 20

8 p.m., Council Worksession, Greenbelt Station South Core, Community Center

Saturday, March 23

8:30 p.m., Earth Hour 2013, Uniting People to Protect the Planet, Turn Lights off for 1 hour. Join the "I will if you will" challenge at <http://earthhour.org>

Women's History Month

March is Women's National History Month. In observance, the News Review will run articles about Greenbelt women of significant accomplishment whose stories are not well known here.

The series is being coordinated by David Lange.

Dr. Patricia (Padi) Boyd – Astrophysicist and Singer

by Susan Breon



Padi Boyd

Many people know Padi Boyd as a singer-songwriter in the a cappella group The Chromatics. What they may not know is that Padi is an astrophysicist at Goddard Space Flight Center studying x-ray binary stars, which produce some of the most extreme conditions in the physical world. In a binary star system, a regular star and a very dense object such as a neutron star or even a black hole are locked in a dance under the strongest gravitational fields found in nature. Matter from the regular star is pulled to the denser star sending out a beacon of x-ray radiation.

By studying these systems, Boyd and her colleagues hope to understand more about the origin of the universe and how it has evolved over the past 13.8 billion years.

Boyd grew up in a small New Jersey town and obtained her bachelor's degree in astro-

onomy from Villanova University. She was the only woman in the Astronomy Department, so for graduate school she was drawn to Drexel University to study with Dr. Joan Centrella. Dr. Centrella

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Maryland Woman Finds Best Route for Gun Boats

by Virginia Beauchamp

Virginia Beauchamp, who was the first coordinator for women's studies at the University of Maryland in 1974, researched Anna Ella Carroll for a series of speeches she gave to women's groups around the state.

With the current interest in Civil War history and President Abraham Lincoln, this may be a good moment, in Women's History Month, to focus on a Maryland woman who had something to do with the Union army's success. She was Anna Ella Carroll, the slave-owning daughter of a former governor of this state (1830-31), Thomas King Carroll.

The eldest of eight children, she grew up in a 22-room plantation house on Maryland's lower Eastern Shore. She was especially close to her father, who shared with her his own deep interest in reading. At a very early age she developed as well a strong interest in politics and legal issues.

By 1840, however, the price of tobacco, their primary source of income had plummeted and the family was forced to sell many of the slaves and to move to a smaller property. Anna tried to help by opening a school for girls. Although very popular, it brought in far too little income. So around this time she moved

to Baltimore, where she took a room in a boarding house.

Almost at once, with her excellent skills as a writer, she found work in what we would call public relations, writing pamphlets for local businesses and particularly for the then developing railroads. She also became politically active in the Whig party of that time, writing many letters to political leaders like President Millard Fillmore, whom she came to know personally.

When Lincoln was elected president, Anna Ella Carroll freed her own slaves. She also wrote pamphlets and later became known as a military strategist.

Her main contribution occurred on a scouting mission to the South. As an attractive, well-dressed lady, she traveled down the Mississippi, hiding her real purpose, which was to check it out as a route south for Union gunboats. On the journey she met a river boat pilot, who

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Letters to the Editor

Congratulations, Kudos Black History Articles

The series you did during Black History Month was truly outstanding. Kudos to the writer/ coordinator Altoria Bell Ross for an excellent series of articles. They were well-researched and written, and I especially appreciated the diversity (yes, diversity) of the Greenbelters she selected to highlight. Well done!

And please accept my gratitude to the News Review for this positive way of commemorating this month.

Brenda C. Lewis

Recognition Sought For Van Schoonhoven

Soon we hope to correct an oversight in the recognition of the contributions of Dr. John Van Schoonhoven, former principal of Greenbelt Center Elementary School. When a Japanese Dogwood was planted in front of the new Greenbelt Elementary School to commemorate his work, it did not get a commemorative plaque. Our efforts to correct this oversight are nearly complete. We have received permission from the school system to place a plaque and we have gotten costs for the plaque.

We are proposing to place a plaque with these words:

In memory of
Dr. John Van Schoonhoven
A gifted & caring educator
Principal of Greenbelt
Center Elementary School
From 1979 to 1992

Now we need your help. We are collecting donations for the plaque. We hope those who remember Dr. Van can make a contribution to this effort, no matter how small. Checks should be made out to the Greenbelt Elementary School PTA and sent to the attention of Mary Ann Baker, 5K Laurel Hill Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770.

Mary Ann Baker
and Leta Mach

Bravo!

It has been some time since I have seen a play as well written, acted and directed as our present Greenbelt Art Center offering, Superior Donuts.

Congratulations to the many people who support and maintain our local theater as a viable alternative entertainment venue.

Patricia Novinski

Forest Ecology Walk in Preserve Saturday

On Saturday, March 16 a forest ecology walk in the Greenbelt Forest Preserve will be offered by the Preserve's 10 Year Anniversary Committee and the Anacostia Watershed Society (AWS). The walk will take two or two and a half hours.

The walk will be led by AWS natural resources specialist Jorge Bogantes Montero and Greenbelter and native bee enthusiast Jason Martin, also of AWS, who grew up near the forest preserve. Participants should meet on Northway Extended at 10:30 a.m.

This will be a moderately strenuous walk. Dress for pos-

sible mud, ticks and poison ivy in a long pants, a long-sleeved shirt, socks and waterproof or hiking closed-toe shoes and bring repellants. Bring water, plant and wildlife field guides, binoculars and/or a hand lens to fully enjoy the preserve's biodiversity. The walk will continue in light rain but will be cancelled if there is a thunderstorm.

Light snacks will be provided after the walk. For more information call Susan Barnett at 301-474-7465 or (cell) 201-272-5448, email greenbeltforestpreserve@gmail.com or visit www.greenbeltforestpreserve.org.

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Upcoming Events At New Deal Café

On Thursday, March 14 pianist Amy C. Kraft plays midday melodies from noon to 2 p.m., with an open microphone session with James & Martha from 7 to 9 p.m.

Friday, March 15 begins with pianist John Guernsey playing classical and jazz piano from 6:30 to 8 p.m. From 8 to 11 p.m. Bud Skeleton headlines with an eclectic mix of classic rock tempered with some South Side Chicago blues.

On Saturday, March 16 the schedule starts with Bruce Kritt on classical guitar from 4 to 6 p.m., followed by Guernsey's up-tempo jazz piano from 6:30 to 8 p.m., then Patsy's Honky Tonk Torch and Twang classic country, Western swing and plenty of Patsy Cline from 8 to 11 p.m.

Sunday, March 17 is the weekly sign language brunch discussion from 10:30 a.m. to noon. The monthly kids open microphone family session is from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. The Greentop Ramblers end the evening with a special St. Padhy's Day show from 5 to 8 p.m.

Next Week

Monday, March 18 at 7 p.m. "The Healthcare Movie" will be screened for the monthly Reel & Meal at the New Deal. The film tells the very different story of Canada and the U.S. health care systems with an optional vegan buffet at 6:30 p.m. The monthly open microphone poetry night will be held Tuesday, March 19 from 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, March 20 is Pub Quiz night from 7 to 9 — come bring a team or form one on the spot to test knowledge on various topics. Thursday, March 21 pianist Amy C. Kraft plays midday melodies from noon to 2 p.m., followed in the evening with a Joe Harris open microphone session from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday, March 22 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. pianist John Guernsey plays classical and jazz piano, then Triage brings neo-jazz/alternative/low rock from 8 to 11 p.m.

On Saturday, March 23 Bruce Kritt plays classical guitar from 4 to 6 p.m., followed by Guernsey's up-tempo jazz piano from 6:30 to 8 p.m. The Badger Band headlines the evening with Grateful Dead, Dylan and originals from 8 to 11 p.m.

OLD GREENBELT THEATRE

WEEK OF March 15

Quartet (PG-13)

FRIDAY

*5:15, 7:30, 9:30

SATURDAY

*3, *5:15, 7:30, 9:30

SUNDAY

*3, *5:15, 7:30

MONDAY – THURSDAY

*5:30, 7:30

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Herp Search Mar. 16 At the Wildlife Refuge

Puppet Show: A Fox's Tale

Saturday, March 16 from 1 to 2:30 p.m. all ages are invited to join a refuge naturalist at the Patuxent National Wildlife Refuge North Tract on a guided search for reptiles and amphibians. Wear good walking shoes.

Public programs at the Patuxent Research Refuge are free although advance registration is required. Call 301-497-5887.

The North Tract is on Rt. 198 between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Rt. 197.

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Obituaries

Louise E. Smith

Louise Elaine Smith of old Greenbelt died on March 12, 2013.

Relatives and friends may call at Collins Funeral Home, 500 University Boulevard West, Silver Spring, Md. (valet parking) on Thursday, March 14 from 3 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. A memorial service will be held at Fourth Presbyterian Church, 5500 River Road in Bethesda on Friday, March 15 at 10:30 a.m. Interment is to be private.

Bob Auerbach Memorial Service

Saturday, March 16 at 2 p.m. there will be a memorial service at Adelphi Friends Meeting, 2301 Metzerott Road, Adelphi, for Bob Auerbach, who died December 12, 2012. Since more people are expected than can fit in the sanctuary, seating will also be in the rectory next-door. On-street parking is available but may not be close by, so drivers should plan accordingly.

For directions visit <http://adelphifriends.org/Directions/index.html>.

City Notes

Street Maintenance/Special Details crews filled in a sink hole on Cherrywood Lane through which a truck had driven.

Horticulture/Parks/Playgrounds crew mulched perennial beds on Crescent Road at the Lakewood buffer using compost from Northway.

Refuse/Recycling/Sustainability crews collected 31.48 tons of refuse and 13.41 tons of commingled recyclable material.

Youth Center staff arranged a rental agreement with DeMatha High School to use Braden Field tennis courts on selected dates.

Mom's Morning Out children have been learning about exercising and eating healthy, functions of the heart and other various organs and the importance of healthy teeth. Dr. McCarl came in to talk to the children.



HOLY THURSDAY
LITURGY AND POTLUCK
MARCH 28, 6:30 P.M.
MUNICIPAL BUILDING

SERVE BREAKFAST
AT S.O.M.E.
Sunday, March 31
Meet at St. Hugh's School
Parking Lot, 6:00 AM

SUNDAY MASS, 10:00 AM
MUNICIPAL BUILDING
ALL ARE WELCOME

Foster Gives Baroque Recital at PBUUC

On Sunday, March 17 at 4 p.m. the Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church (PBUUC) Arts Council will offer a "Basically Baroque" recital featuring Deni Foster as part of the "Music at Paint Branch".

Foster will be joined by Heather Brown, soprano and Richard Berg on the recorder, harpsichord, clarinet and crumhorn. The varied program will also feature the "Go for Baroque Madrigal Singers."

Foster is locally known as a former music teacher at Greenbelt Middle School and Eleanor Roosevelt High School. Berg is a retired professor at the University of Maryland Physics Department and host of "Physics is Phun." Brown has performed in many venues in the Washington, D.C. area and studies voice with Paint Branch Music Director, David Chapman.

While there is no charge for the recital, donations will be gladly accepted.

Our Neighbors

Condolences to the family and friends of Louise Elaine Smith, who died on March 12, 2013.

Congratulations to:

– ERHS senior Aaron Solomon, first place winner in the ERHS science fair, who was awarded first place grand prize at the county science fair March 10 and will continue on to the INTEL international science fair in Phoenix, Ariz., in May.

– ERHS sophomore Matthias Early, who won first prize for physics at the regional science fair last weekend for his "Linear Induction Launcher."

– Former Greenbelter Jesse Goldberg-Strassler on the publication of his book "The Baseball Thesaurus."

Send us your reports of new babies, awards, honors, etc. to share with our readers. To send information for "Our Neighbors" email us at newsreview@verizon.net or leave a message at 301-474-6892.

– Kathleen McFarland

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Saturday 9:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

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Asian Viewing Stone Traditions

There will be a free viewing stone exhibit on Sunday, March 17 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the U.S. National Arboretum.

Displayed will be Chinese, Japanese and American viewing stones from private collections of Potomac Viewing Stone Group members. The artistic stones, naturally formed by erosive forces of wind and water, are displayed with great reverence to aesthetic standards developed in China and Japan over many centuries.

Join members from 1 to 2:30 p.m. for a free informal tour of the exhibit, which is sponsored by the Potomac Viewing Stone Group.

The Arboretum is located at 3501 New York Avenue N.E.

Breast Cancer Support Group

Doctors Community Hospital will offer two breast cancer support groups, one for men and one for women, on the third Tuesday of each month from 7 to 9 p.m. in the North Building, 4th Floor, Classroom 415.

Join women who are newly diagnosed with or are recovering from breast cancer. For more information call Mary Lingebach, RN, OCN, CBCN, at 301-552-8209.

Men's Group

Join men who discuss their experiences as caregivers of those who have breast cancer on the 5th Floor, DSE Room.

For more information call Keith Mitchell at 301-552-8673

Doctors Community Hospital is located at 8100 Good Luck Road in Lanham.

Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church

40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt

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Rev. Fay Lundin, Pastor



Worship Service 10 a.m.

St. George's Episcopal Church

Join us around a table where all are welcome!



Services

- Sundays

8 a.m. simple, quiet service (no music)

10 a.m. main service

(music includes a mixture of acoustic guitar, piano and organ music)

- Wednesdays

7 p.m. service with healing prayers (no music)

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Sunday School, Bible Study 8:30 a.m.

Informal Evening Worship 6 p.m.

Midweek Lenten Services, Wednesday 11 a.m. & 7 p.m.

Easter Sunday, March 31, 9:30 & 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.

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March 17th

"Perseverance: How Not to Grow Weary in Doing Good"

Nehemiah 6:1-14

Celebrate the Risen Savior!

Easter Cantata: Palm Sunday, March 24th, 4:00pm

Good Friday Service with Infinity Baptist, March 29th, 7:30pm

EASTER SUNDAY, March 31st, 10:30am

All Welcome

March Café Exhibitors McCullough, Voellmer

Currently on display through the end of April at the New Deal Café are paintings by Erin McCullough and Jeanna Voellmer.

McCullough

McCullough's work, often inspired by nature, captures the spiritual by recreating the feeling of a moment. She presents things that may seem ordinary to most people but have inexplicable beauty to her. McCullough is consistently drawn to water and light as subjects for her work.

McCullough grew up in the Maryland suburbs of D.C. but moved to Hawaii at 19 to pursue an education, receiving her B.F.A. in painting from the University of Hawaii in 2005. She lived, studied and worked as an artist and therapeutic aid in Hawaii for nearly 14 years before moving to Georgia in 2011 to continue her studies at the Savannah College of Art and Design (SCAD).

SCAD has challenged McCullough beyond the sunsets and palm trees she painted in Hawaii and reminded her of the thrill involved in taking on a project without a recipe for success.

Voellmer

Voellmer's work, inspired by both festival culture and nature, is an expression of individual identity searching for place, acceptance and love in an alienating world. Her art focuses on the private experience of a moment, the underlying fears, desires, happiness and memories. Voellmer works with a variety of materials in sculpture and painting, building up layers with color and texture. Circles and squares often permeate her work – squares as a symbol of the thoughts and emotions embedded into the experience of a moment and circles as a symbol of time and self. Her figures, portraits and designs float amidst the abstract expression of the captured moment, like a snapshot from a dream or a memory of the experience.

Voellmer, originally from Washington State, received her B.F.A. in sculpture and painting from Pacific Lutheran University in 2000. She also holds degrees in geography and in soil and water science. Voellmer currently resides in the Sonoran Desert in southern Arizona.

The New Deal Café art program is sponsored by Friends of New Deal Café Art.

Nat'l Wildlife Center Shows Volunteers' Art

The first two weeks of March the Patuxent National Wildlife Visitor Center in Laurel will feature the art and photography of Patuxent volunteers in the Hollingsworth Gallery. The last two weeks of March feature art from students entering the Maryland and District of Columbia Federal Junior Duck Stamp Contests. The Federal Junior Duck Stamp Program teaches biology and habitat conservation through scientific observation and artistic interpretation.

The National Wildlife Visitor Center is off Powder Mill Road between Md. Rt. 197 and the Baltimore/Washington Parkway just south of Laurel. Visit <http://www.fws.gov/northeast/patuxent/> or call 301-497-5763 for directions.



City Information

MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 18-22

Monday, March 18 at 8:00 pm, COUNCIL WORK SESSION with Clergy/Religious Organizations at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and streaming at www.greenbeltdmd.gov

Wednesday, March 20 at 8:00 pm, COUNCIL WORK SESSION – re: Greenbelt Station South Core at The Greenbelt Community Center, 25 Crescent Road.

This schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call 301-474-8000.

UNDERWATER EGG HUNT

Ages 3½-10

Friday, March 29, 12:30pm

Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center,

101 Centerway

Residents \$1.00, Non-Residents \$2.00

A fun new twist on the traditional egg hunt. Come out and dive for eggs. Last year this proved to be a very popular event. After the egg hunt your child can enjoy the pool for the rest of the afternoon!

Registration is limited to 60 people.

For more information call 301-397-2204.

ANNUAL EGG HUNT
Ages 18mo-6th grade
Saturday, March 30
Begins PROMPTLY at 10:00am

Buddy Attack Park, 555 Crescent Road

Bring your Easter Baskets and help Mr. Bunny find the eggs he and his helpers have hidden. Immediately following the egg hunt, we invite you to stay for local comedy juggler and circus performer, Michael Rosman. Rosman will dazzle the audience with his crazy stunts, hilarious antics, animal noses, giant unicycles and more. Rosman has appeared on David Letterman, Jay Leno and the Wendy Williams Show. Please call the weather hotline, 301-474-0646, the morning of the hunt for updated event status. In case of inclement weather, festivities will be held on Monday, April 1, at Buddy Attack Park.

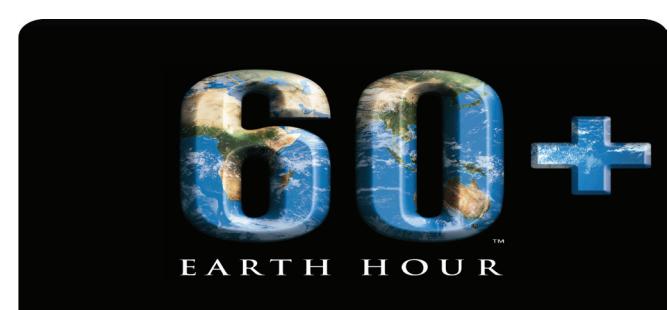
Visual artists: Apply now through May 6 for studio space at the Greenbelt Community Center.

24-hr access through the Recreation Department's juried Artist in Residence Program. New residencies begin July 1. Application available at www.greenbeltdmd.gov/arts, or write to ndewald@greenbeltdmd.gov. Open to both residents and non-residents of Greenbelt.

EARTH HOUR 2013 UNITING PEOPLE TO PROTECT THE PLANET

SATURDAY, MARCH 23 AT 8:30PM

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City of Greenbelt Spring Camps SPRING CAMP



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LOCATION: The Youth Center **FEES:** R: \$175, NR: \$210

DATES: Monday, April 1 - Friday, April 5

TIME: 9:00am - 3:30pm (BEFORE & AFTERCARE AVAILABLE)

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Ages 8-13

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DATES: Monday, April 1 - Friday, April 5

TIME: 9:00am - 3:30pm (BEFORE & AFTERCARE AVAILABLE)

Greenbelt Community Center

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Ages 8-14

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DATES: Monday, April 1 - Friday, April 5

TIME: 9:00am-12:00pm

LOCATION: Springhill Lake Recreation Center

FEES: R: \$30, NR: \$55

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PHOTOS BY ERIC ZHANG

Guests at the Greenbelt Foundation tea Sunday, February 24 at the Greenbelt Marriott.

awards to applicant organizations within the city. This year's winners had presented their applications last fall. Proposals for the next such event are due on April 15.

The Foundation itself, established in 2006, has completed 12 such grant cycles. During that time some \$100,000 has been awarded in a range of \$450 to \$5,000, as described in programs for the event handed out at each table. According to Foundation policy, up to 50 percent of donated funds are awarded in grants and the remaining 50 percent invested to build the fund for the future.

Besides the Marriott Hotel, other sponsors are Beltway Plaza Mall, G. L. Shannon Realty, Greenbelt Auto and Truck Repair, Greenbelt Co-op, Greenbelt Homes Incorporated, Mack-Cali Realty Corporation and McCarl Dental Group.

Dorrie Bates served as moderator for the afternoon program, which began with an update on activities and achievements of previous awardees. These included the two-year film making project of the GAVA/GATE program for young people. Past grantees include a Friends of the Greenbelt Museum 75th anniversary project, a Greenbelt Farmer's

Market grant for Risk Reduction and Signage Improvement and an award to the Greenbelt Arts Center entitled Restroom Rescue.

Tom Baker, one of two instructors for the GAVA/GATE animated film project, described how students developed the 75th anniversary film. Barbara Simon, director for the program, congratulated two of the students in attendance, Nia Brown and Eileen O'Brien, who both thanked the foundation for their support. The film will be shown on Greenbelt Day June 2 at the Community Center.



The Greenbelt Community Foundation Advisory Board Chair Dorrie Bates speaks at the tea.



From left are student animator Nia Brown, County Councilmember Ingrid Turner, Barbara Simon (GAVA) and animator Eileen O'Brien. GAVA/GATE Greenbelt 75th anniversary animation project was a past grantee.

CPAE Photography Club Meets Friday

Photography buffs may want to participate in The Underexposed, the photography club sponsored by College Park Arts Exchange (CPAE). Meetings are held Friday evenings from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at the Old Parish House, 4711 Knox Road, College Park.

For more information visit www.facebook.com/groups/photo20740/.

Audubon Leads Free Half-Day Bird Walk

The Prince George's Audubon Society will host a half-day bird walk at Governor Bridge Natural Area, Governor Bridge Road, Bowie, on Saturday, March 16 to view resident and migrating woodland and field birds, as well as waterfowl. All are welcome. Binoculars and waterproof footwear are suggested. Meet at the parking lot at 7:30 a.m.

Call 410-765-6482 for details.

St. Patrick's Day Patrols and Rides

With St. Patrick's Day falling on Sunday, March 17 the Greenbelt police have announced plans for additional officers patrolling the roadways to combat drunk driving during the evening and overnight hours.

Since 2010, eighty percent of all crash fatalities in the mid-Atlantic region on St. Patrick's Day have been alcohol-related.

In addition, police remind party planners of the "Keep the Luck of the Irish Alive. Don't Drink and Drive" SoberRide campaign. By dialing 1-800-200-8294 a free ride home (up to \$30/fare) is available to callers age 21 or older the night of St. Patrick's Day – from 6 p.m. on Sunday, March 17 to 6 a.m. Monday, March 18.

March Demos, Wine Tastings at Co-op

On Monday, March 18 there will be a chips tasting from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. by Brad's Raw Chips.

Friday night wine tastings will take place on March 15 and 22 from 4 to 7 p.m., with an additional 4 to 6 p.m. wine tasting on Wednesday, March 27 as part of the Seasonal & Savory program.

The March Seasonal & Savory demonstration, featuring spring pea dishes and wine tasting will be held on Wednesday, March 27 from 4 to 6 p.m. That is also Patron Appreciation Day (with 5 percent discounts throughout the store).

More information is available online at www.greenbelt.coop.

Flowering Cherry Arboretum Tour

Starting Wednesday, March 20 and continuing through April 14 free tours called Beyond the Tidal Basin: Introducing Other Great Flowering Cherries will be offered on Wednesdays at the U.S. National Arboretum.

Drive, bike or walk on this self-guided tour of the Arboretum's collection of flowering cherries of various shapes, sizes, flower colors and bloom times, including trees that were developed by National Arboretum scientists. The tour covers several miles of Arboretum roads. Pick up a brochure in the Administration Building or download one at www.usna.usda.gov.

The Arboretum is located at 3501 New York Avenue N.E.

Book Club to Discuss Women's Nonfiction

A discussion of literary nonfiction by women will be held by the College Park Arts Exchange Book Club on Friday evenings at 7:30 p.m. at the Old Parish House. The book to be discussed March 15 is "George, Nicholas and Wilhelm: Three Royal Cousins and the Road to World War I," by Miranda Carter.

The Old Parish House is at 4711 Knox Road, College Park (corner of Knox and Dartmouth, near the Metro). Parking passes may be obtained at the door.

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had established an astronomy group within Drexel's Physics and Atmospheric Science Department. Now, 20 years after completing her doctorate and beginning her work at Goddard, Boyd is on a part-time assignment serving as the Astrophysics Division deputy chief – the position held by the same Dr. Centrella who is herself on a temporary assignment at NASA Headquarters. Boyd also serves as the associate chief of the Astroparticle Physics Laboratory and is a member of the project science team of the Hubble Space Telescope.

Throughout her career Boyd has focused her energy on obtaining and distributing scientific data. She has also worked with several teams to develop ideas for new space missions to study the physics behind how the universe works. She managed Guest Observer Facilities for the X-ray Timing Explorer (XTE) and Swift, which finds exotic bursts of gamma rays and records the first data reaching Earth before other telescopes can be repositioned to look at that section of the sky. Guest Observer Facilities are an extremely important part of the NASA mission to make data from its satellites available to researchers around the world. They make sure data are produced in a standardized format recognized by scientists that is the same from one mission to the next. The software they develop to examine the data must be reliable so that scientists can draw accurate conclusions. In 2008-2010 Boyd was on temporary assignment to NASA Headquarters as Program Scientist for Kepler, NASA's exoplanet hunting mission. Launched in 2009, Kepler has detected more than 2700 stars with planets orbiting them.

At the beginning of her career, the path to Boyd's success was cloudy. She was hired to work on the Hubble Space Telescope (HST) as a member of the High-Speed Photometer (HSP) instrument team. Unfortunately, shortly after launch in April 1990 a problem was discovered with the Hubble mirror. HSP was the instrument most strongly affected by the error and NASA Headquarters decided to remove HSP to install a set of corrective optics that would allow the other instruments on Hubble to have a clearer view of the universe. The exact timing of the replacement was uncertain and so Boyd began networking and reaching out to a wide variety of scientists in search of a new position. In doing so, she developed many of the people skills she uses to this day in her job. Fortunately for Boyd and for NASA she was able to move to a different group at Goddard and she established herself in her career through hard work, networking and taking advantage of opportunities as they presented themselves. She is motivated to support and mentor other women in astrophysics at Goddard and was a founding member of the Women in Astrophysics Roundtable focusing on career issues, as well as the Milky Way Mamas, a support group composed of women scientists with young children.

Outside of work Boyd has had a long-standing interest in singing. She performed with Goddard's Music and Drama (MAD) club, and starred as Sarah Brown in the 1994 production of "Guys and Dolls." Although she had no experience singing a capella, she auditioned for an a capella group called the OK Chorale that originated in MAD. Some members of this group later formed a new group, called The Chromatics. The current members of The Chromatics have been together for 10 years. As one of their songs reminds us, "A capella is singing without instruments, not singing without music." The Chromatics write and perform original songs, often highlighting some of the absurdities of modern-day life. They have also recorded covers of popular songs such as "Love Shack" and "Ironic." They are regular performers at the New Deal Café and perform an annual holiday concert at the Greenbelt Arts Center.

The Chromatics have combined a love of music and the desire to educate a new generation of scientists by creating an educational program called Astrocapella. The group writes and performs original songs about science topics such as the Doppler shift, the Sun, Earth, solar system and everything else in the universe. Along with a catchy tune and clever lyrics, each song has a lesson plan that teachers can use in their classrooms.

Boyd and her husband, Jim Heagy, moved to Greenbelt in the middle of the blizzard of 1993. They lived in Windsor Green for two years before moving into the house that had been owned by Buddy Attick. She notes that people still refer to their home as "the Buddy Attick house." Their older son, Ryland, is a freshman at Eleanor Roosevelt High School. Ryland has been involved with Greenbelt baseball and has spent much of every summer at Camp Pine Tree. Their younger son, Braden will turn three this year and attends preschool at the Goddard Child Development Center. Padi and Jim were founding members of the New Deal Café and supported the movement to save the movie theater when it was threatened with closure. Boyd is also vice president of the Woodland Hills homeowner association and heads up the woods clean-up committee.

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suggested the Mississippi was too heavily fortified and that the Tennessee River, deep enough for the gunboats, would be a better route.

Returning to Washington, she detailed this plan, which was adopted with great success. In particular it severed connections between major Southern units. That the successful strategy had been drawn up by a woman was known only to a few.

Later, when the story came out, a bill was introduced in Congress to grant her a lump-sum payment, but the bill was never passed; however, she did receive \$50 a month for the rest of her life. She died, an invalid, in 1894.

City Changes Children's Age Limits At the Aquatic and Fitness Center

by Kathleen Gallagher

At its March 11 regular meeting, the Greenbelt City Council voted 6 to 1 to approve policy changes proposed by the city's recreation department that will raise the required age for unsupervised children to enter a pool facility of the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center (GAFC), lower the age threshold for the person qualified to accompany and supervise a child and lower the age restriction on use of the outdoor baby pool. With all members present, Councilmember Rodney Roberts voted against the motion supported by the rest of council.

Recreation Department Director Julie McHale explained that in a recent review staff compared GAFC rules and regulations with the policies of several other jurisdictions. Although Greenbelt's regulations were found to be in compliance with both state and county requirements, it was observed that children ages seven and older (incorrectly stated at the meeting as eight and older) were allowed in the GAFC without being accompanied by an adult while the minimum age in other facilities is 11 to 12 years. The city's new regulation will increase the age for entering a pool facility without supervision from seven to 12.

Other changes include restricting the use of the baby pool to children ages five and under and lowering the minimum age of

individuals qualified to supervise younger children from 18 to 16. Councilmember Pope expressed support for restricting the age of children in the baby pool so they would not have to compete with the older group.

The other change will make it feasible for qualified siblings and babysitters to accompany young children. Initially Councilmembers Roberts and Herling, who recalled their own carefree summers of coming and going by themselves to the pool, questioned the rationale for raising the age of unsupervised admission. Both noted that the likelihood of having a parent at home to accompany a child during the summer is lower now than it was then and that the new rule might exclude many children and be a hardship on working parents.

The justification offered for the change was twofold. McHale cited the potential risks of lifeguards being distracted by the running and other activity of younger children rather than being able to keep their focus on the pool. She added that the behavior of unsupervised young children could also affect others' enjoyment of the facility. Noting that it was a resident's letter about the safety of the children that first raised the issue, the mayor added that children's behavior is also more likely to be disruptive today than it once was. Roberts responded that children could be

evicted from the facility if they did not behave and that everyone shouldn't be banned because of the bad behavior of a few.

Lois Rosado identified herself from the audience as the resident whose query had motivated the review. She emphasized that her primary concern had not been that children ages seven to 11 would endanger others but rather that times have changed in terms of being able to assume that young children who come and go alone will themselves be safe. She stressed that the lifeguards should not be expected to be babysitters, nor should they be responsible for tracking who might be inappropriately watching children inside or outside of the GAFC.

Roberts offered to consider a higher age requirement for the indoor pool but not the outdoor pool. He said that in balance he continued to be concerned about children who would be left with nowhere to go. The motion was left unchanged, however, so the higher age limit applies to the entire GAFC facility. Councilmember Mach, who had made the motion, pointed out that any councilmember was free to request that the policy be revisited after the first year's experience could be taken into account.

The city's Park and Recreation Advisory Board had also approved the proposed changes.

Farewell to Jingles

Jingles a cocker spaniel mix passed away March 3 at the age of 16 years. Jingles was well known throughout the Lakewood community for his late-night escapades. He often broke through the fence at his Empire Place home to wander the neighborhood. Jingles charmed most humans and even the most ferocious of dogs. He was so adorably friendly that he could convince anyone to take him home. A year ago just after Christmas, Jingles moved in with Daisy, his border collie friend on Greenway Place. From there he continued to schmooze with humans and canines alike on progressively shorter walks. He was a special dog who will be missed.

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Arrests

February 28, 11:13 p.m., Area near TGI Friday's. Two nonresident women, one 27 years old and the other 29, were each arrested and charged with two counts of second-degree assault on a law enforcement officer and one count of disorderly conduct. One woman was also charged with resisting arrest and the other woman also with interfering with a lawful arrest. Both were transferred to the Department of Corrections for hearings before a district court commissioner.

March 2, 10:53 p.m., 7200 block South Ora Court. A 34-year-old nonresident man was arrested and charged with first degree burglary, fourth degree burglary, attempted fourth degree burglary, malicious destruction of property, possession of a concealed dangerous weapon and theft under \$100. He was transferred to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

The Department is offering a reward of up to \$1,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of a suspect in any of the unsolved crimes reported in the blotter.

Call 1-866-411-TIPS.

People may anonymously report suspected drug activity by calling the Drug Tip Line at 240-542-2145.

Emergency Preparedness

Stored Drinking Water Important in Disasters

by Kenneth Silberman

Following a disaster, clean drinking water may not be available. The issue is so fundamental that my advice will be offered in two parts, the second in another issue.

Regular water sources could be cut off or compromised through contamination. Prepare by building a supply of water to meet family needs. A normally active person needs one gallon of water per day for drinking and sanitation. Keep at least a three-day supply of water per person and for each companion animal on hand at all times.

In addition, individual needs for people and companion animals vary depending on age, physical condition, activity, diet and climate. Children, nursing

mothers and the sick may need more water. A medical emergency might require even more water. Water needs can double in hot climates. A veterinarian can advise about the needs of family companion animals.

Commercially bottled water is the safest and most reliable emergency water supply. Keep bottled water in its original container in a cool dark place. Do not open it until it is needed. Observe the expiration or "use by" date, replacing it on that date.

Part II will cover preparing one's own bottled water.

Kenneth Silverman is the Greenbelt Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Coordinator.

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Sat. Bird Walk At Patuxent

On Saturday, March 16 there will be a bird walk at the Patuxent National Wildlife Refuge North Tract from 8:15 to 10:15 a.m. All ages are welcome.

Search for birds in several refuge habitats on this guided hike. Field guides and binoculars are recommended. Public programs at the Patuxent Research Refuge are free although advance registration is required. Call 301-497-5887.

The North Tract is on Rt. 198 between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Rt. 32.

Simmer or Nuke?

A microwave oven is much more efficient for reheating than a stovetop since it takes 80 percent less energy to warm up relatively small amounts of food, according to the federal Environmental Protection Agency. Although a microwave needs a lot of electricity, it's a short burst of power.

Cooking accounts for only three percent of total U.S. greenhouse-gas emissions from residences, but with the growth of energy consumption overall, efficiency counts. Americans consume six times as much electricity and twice as much natural gas per capita now than in 1950.

— Sierra Club



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Flowers are in bloom all over the city including these snowdrops.

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Council Struggles with City Process in Visioning

by Thomas X. White

Councilmembers heard the results and analysis of the community-wide visioning activities held last year from City Manager Michael McLaughlin. Also on the agenda was a pre-budget discussion at its worksession on February 27. All members of council were present.

Summary Analysis

In a brief cover memo, McLaughlin noted the low turnout at the visioning sessions. A total of 25 participants attended the three simultaneous sessions, with the groups in Greenbelt Center and Franklin Park having the greatest participation.

All sessions offered citizens an opportunity to complete an online visioning survey, with some 15 respondents using that mode. In the view of the lead facilitator, those who took the time to attend the sessions were "fully invested in the process." The takeaway was that "there was a clear expression that participants like Greenbelt as it is today – a walkable community with a small-town feel that values green space and its history."

Participants' collective view, in addition, was that intergovernmental challenges, public safety, broader community involvement and long-term economic and financial stability are the pressing issues facing the city over the next three to five years.

Going forward, McLaughlin suggested council determine if the existing eight vision goals are "right" for the city. If they are, he suggested, it would be helpful if council provided a more specific goal statement or more specific objectives or action steps.

The seven visioning goals that ranked highest among the participants are:

- Increase Economic Development & Sustainability
- Improve Transportation Options
- Enhance Sense of Community
- Promote Quality-of-Life Programs for All Citizens
- Enhance Public Safety
- Maintain an Environmentally

Proactive Community

- Preserve/Enhance Greenbelt as a Planned Community
- An eighth goal was added: Provide Excellent Constituent Services with Other Agencies/Intergovernmental Relations.

Specific Issues

Other suggested goals or action steps include the creation of back-up power systems for Greenbelt grocery stores to reduce food spoilage during power outages; to address sound pollution and to clean up or prevent toxic drainage of pollutants at the gas station on Southway; to reduce light pollution by installation of more motion-activated lighting; and to increase public education on light pollution.

A major concern was the need to educate the public regarding the potential negative health impacts of "smart meters." More positive suggestions were to enhance city programs for seniors, youth and others and to look at all aspects of the human experience, including age, economic status, work life and leisure interests as well as ethnicity.

Part of the visioning handouts was a 22-page detailed report summarizing the visioning process in 2012 and a six-slide summary. These materials will be available on the City of Greenbelt website: <http://www.greenbeltdmd.gov/>

Council Reactions

Because the visioning topic followed McLaughlin's longer discussion of pre-budget issues, council had little time to go through the complete results and analysis of the visioning process.

During a first round of comments, councilmembers appeared content to maintain the eight goals and focus on several action steps supporting each of the eight goals to define the priority steps supporting the goals.

Further discussion by councilmembers dealt with the visioning process itself. Councilmember Emmett Jordan suggested, for example, that more and better engagement with residents is needed in order to get a better sense of the community on vision goals.

On the other hand, Councilmember Edward Putens expressed the strong view that "he was getting tired of the visioning process." He suggested instead that the city seek feedback from recognized community groups, such as volunteer organizations that rely on city funding, home owner associations and other community organizations.

Councilmember Konrad Herring suggested using the relatively new Welcome Wagon approach to include personal visits for new residents.

Although councilmembers expressed caution about any additional expenditures and the need for action steps to be better defined and "doable," there was clear support for Putens' idea. Jordan endorsed his suggestion, noting that "we need to find a way to get a better level of feedback."

Mayor Judith Davis felt the eight listed goals were fine. She said council should take time to flesh out appropriate action steps and to try Putens' approach.



PHOTOS BY ERIC ZHANG

Albert Lin (3, right) and his mother Christine Fu celebrate the onset of spring by making masks at the March Artful Afternoon event that took place on March 3. Below, Ava Howard (left, 7) and Ruby Maul (7) show off their work.



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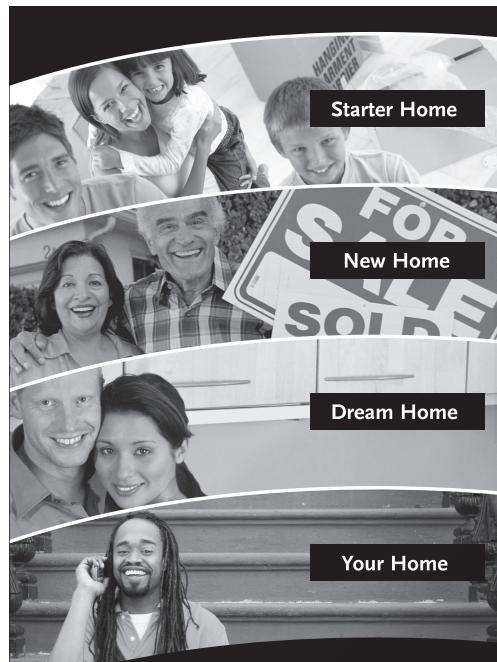
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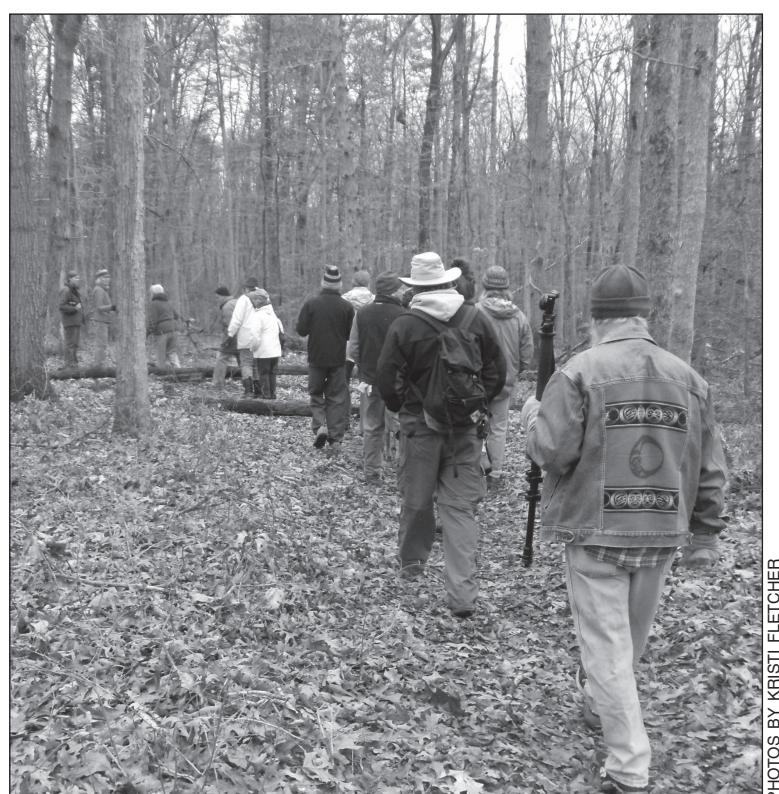
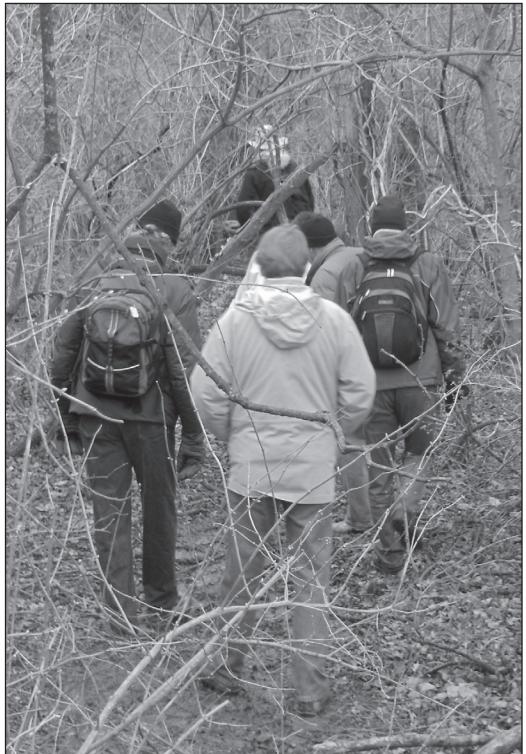
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dramatically during his lifetime. Old-timers recalled childhood haunts such as Blueberry Hill, Deadman's Hollow, Foster Cabin, Peewee Canyon, Grandpa's Rocker, Diving Board Bridge and the Witch Tree. Blueberry Hill was known to support a pine barren-like ecosystem with its nutrient-poor sandy soil.

We skirted a dark and deep grove of hollies. The stands where pines still dominate were likely the last farm pastures left to go fallow as suburbia supplanted agriculture. In many areas the pines are giving way to hardwoods as succession occurs.

On reaching the end of the trail, Downs and Barnett passed around homemade sandwiches and mugs of hot chocolate. Barnett announced there will be an Ecology Hike on March 16.



Paul Downs indicates the location and height of the Foster Cabin in the South Tract of Greenbelt Forest Preserve. Teens gathered at the woodstove-equipped cabin built by a local resident around 1968 and reportedly torn down by the city around 1976.” Hikers are (left to right): Jean Newcomb, Susan Barnett (partially obscured), Bill Wilkerson (partially obscured), Paul Downs, Jean Snyder, Mark Christal, Rodney Roberts, and Joey Murray.

Hikers on a winter day in the Nature Discovery Walk in the south Tract of the Greenbelt Forest Preserve. Left to right: Naturalist Elaine Nakash, Leader Susan Barnett, Jean Snyder, Jean Newcomb, Joey Murray, no name given, Paul Downs, Rodney Roberts, Jim Soule, Craig Tooley and Mark Crystal.

Naturalist Elaine Nakash and Leader Susan Barnett (in distance left to right) wait to explain a find to hikers on the Nature Discovery Walk in the south Tract of the Greenbelt Forest Preserve.

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